

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
January 18, 2012**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting on January 18, 2012, at the University of Connecticut Health Center, Keller Auditorium, 263 Farmington Avenue, Farmington, Connecticut

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
 Lance Banwell, DDS
 Peter Katz, DMD
 Steven Reiss, DDS
 Barbara Ulrich
 Martin Ungar, DMD

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Elliot S. Berman, DDS

Dr. Strathearn called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the November 2, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved.

II. Chair Updates/Correspondence

The placement of amalgams during the ADEX examination is now an option. The applicant can chose either composite or amalgams.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Department of Public Health Investigation Process and Outcome

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, DPH gave a presentation.

B. Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals – (HAVEN)

Maureen Dinnan, Executive Director provided the annual update regarding the Haven Program. MS. Dinnan also provided an over view of the HAVEN Program for the dental students in attendance.

IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Warren Kaplan, DDS – Petition No. 2010-5404

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Jennifer Groves was present on behalf of respondent.

Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order which imposes a \$4000.00 civil penalty and probation for a period of one year.

V. ADJOURN

Dr. Reiss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
Connecticut State Dental Commission

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 29, 2012**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting on August 29, 2012, at the Department of Public Health, Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, in the third floor hearing room.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
 Elliot S. Berman, DDS
 Lance Banwell, DDS
 Peter Katz, DMD
 Steven Reiss, DDS
 Barbara Ulrich
 Martin Ungar, DMD

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Strathearn called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the June 6, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION - PENDING LITIGATION

Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ulrich, to enter executive session to discuss with Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro litigation pending in Federal Court in which the Commission is a defendant (LISA MARTINEZ, ET AL., Plaintiffs, v .DR. JEWEL MULLEN, ET AL., Defendants Civil Action No. 3:11-CV-01787-WWE)

The Commission entered executive session from 1:01 p.m. until 1:28 p.m. No motions were made and no votes were taken during executive session.

III. Chair Updates/Correspondence

NONE

IV. Department of Public Health Updates

Public Act 12-197 as it pertains to continuing education for dentists will be discussed at the next meeting.

V. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

A. Steven Landman, DDS – Petition No. 2010-5402

Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Hilary Fisher Nelson was present on behalf of respondent.

Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order which imposes a reprimand.

B. Michael Olkovsky, DDS - Petition No. 2010-216/2010-5116

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Neither respondent nor his attorney was present.

Dr. Banwell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Reiss, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order which imposes period of probation for eighteen months.

C. Gregory A. Russo, Jr., DMD - Petition No. 2010-5263

Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney William Catalina was present on behalf of respondent.

Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, recommending the addition of language requiring respondent to educate his staff regarding standard of care procedure and policies and proper billing practices. The motion passed unanimously

VI. **ADJOURN**

Dr. Reiss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
Connecticut State Dental Commission

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
December 5, 2012**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting on December 5, 2012, at the Department of Public Health, Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, in the third floor hearing room.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
 Lance Banwell, DDS
 Peter Katz, DMD
 Steven Reiss, DDS
 Barbara Ulrich
 Martin Ungar, DMD

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Elliot S. Berman, DDS

Dr. Strathearn called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the August 29, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved as edited.

II. Chair Updates

The Commission had discussion regarding upcoming Medicaid Procedure Fee changes. The Commission heard from Donna Balaski, DMD and Brett Zanger, DMD.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Provisional License Application - Dulce Duarte Mercado, DDS

Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, Department of Public Health presented a provisional license application for Dulce Duarte Mercado, DDS., to allow for practice at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Following review of the application Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ungar, to recommend provisional licensure for Dr. Duarte Mercado. The motion passed unanimously.

B. License Reinstatement Application - Susan Bery, DMD, MEd

Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, Department of Public Health presented a license reinstatement application for Susan Bery, DMD, MEd. Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to recommend license reinstatement. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. OFFICE OF LICENSURE REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

A. Michael Amodio, DDS – Petition No. 2012-464

Mathew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Craig Fontaine was present on behalf of respondent.

Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order which imposes a reprimand and prescribing restrictions.

V. ADJOURN

Dr. Reiss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
Connecticut State Dental Commission